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 	Worship Service Participants	
 	This Week (March 17)	Next Week (March 24)
Soundboard	BJ DeMaa	Kurt De Vries
Power Point	Kelley Van Buren	Kelley Van Buren
Greeters	Jerry & Luanne Hull	Larry & Mary Navis
Elders Greeting	Ray Freriks Jerry Riel Steve Towne	Jamison Davies Bill Eichstadt Ron Schaalma

March Schedules

Hospital: Jamison Davies **Flowers:** Becky De Vries **Library:** Waunita Schlom

Opportunities This Week

Sunday (March 17):

Sunday School: 10:30 - 11:15 am.

- ♦ Children's Sunday School (ages 3 years old 5th Grade): Meets downstairs in the Young Children & Worship Room (lower level).
 - ♦ Middle School/High School (Grades 6-12): Meets upstairs in the Youth Room.

Monday:

AIM: 9:00 am - noon in the Triple Room. Join us as we make quilts for missions.

Tuesday:

Worship Planning Team Meeting: 5:30 pm in the Council Room. Bell Choir Rehearsal: 6:30 pm in the sanctuary.

Wednesday:

XYZ: This adult Bible Study meets in the lower Triple Room from 9:30 - 10:30 am.

- Awana: For ages 3 years old thru 5th Grade in Fellowship Hall. This week's theme is AFFLICTION NIGHT (wear something as if you were injured)!
- ◆Cubbies (ages 3 years PreK) meet 6:00 7:00 pm.
- ♦ Grades K-5 meets 6:00 7:30 pm.

Middle School Youth Group: Meets in the Youth Room from 5:30 - 7:00 pm for Grades 6-8.

High School Youth Group: Meets in the Youth Room from 7:00 - 8:30 pm for Grades 9-12.

Choir Practice: 7:00 pm in the sanctuary.

Sunday (March 24):

Palm Sunday Breakfast: 7:30 - 8:45 am in Fellowship Hall. All are invited to join us!

Congregational News

Sunday School/Choir Note: A reminder to elementary Sunday School families that we will be practicing upstairs in the sanctuary with the Choir for our Palm Sunday intergenerational song.

Any choir members are welcome to stay after church as well and practice with us! Thank you!

Palm Sunday Breakfast: Come and join us on Palm Sunday morning, March 24th, for breakfast. Let's start our celebration with a great meal. All are invited. Breakfast will start at 7:30 am and go until 8:45 am. If you are able to bring food, we have a sign-up sheet in the entryway. Please bring your food donation on Saturday, March 23rd, by noon to the church kitchen. The lower doors by the elevator will be open at 8:00 am on that Saturday.

Palm Sunday: Elementary children should meet downstairs in our Sunday School room at 8:45 am, so we have time to prepare for our part in the worship service. Thank you!

Maundy Thursday Worship: The Maundy Thursday worship service will be held on Thursday, March 28th, at 7:00 pm. The Lord's Supper will be served.

Free Books: The congregation is welcome to take any of the free books on the table by the office. Any books not taken in the next two weeks will be recycled or donated. Thank you!

Helping Hands Sunday School: God has given each of us gifts and talents to serve others. Our preschool and elementary children are going to learn the importance of serving others through small projects that will impact the church community and our local community. The dates of these classes are: March 24th, April 28th, and May 12th. It is going to be a fun time, so save these dates.

VBS Meeting: If you are interested in helping in any way with Camp Firelight this summer. please mark your calendars for our FIRST planning meeting, which will be held on Tuesday, March 26th, at 6:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall. If you can't make the meeting, please let Roxanne know. Thank you!

2024 VBS Save-The-Date: All children 3 year olds - 5th Grade are invited to attend First Reformed's Vacation Bible School this summer. The theme is Camp Firelight and it will be held July 15 - 17 from 9:00 - 11:30 am. You can register your children using the link on the First Reformed Waupun Children's Ministry Facebook page.

Sunday School Guide Notice: Due to increased costs and decreased subscriptions, Sunday School Guide Publishing has decided to discontinue publishing The Guide. May 2024 will be the last issue of the Sunday School Guide.

Soundboard Need: The soundboard needs for worship services is currently being fulfilled by the 3 people on the Soundboard Team, which means there is an urgent need for additional members to join the team. If you are interested or have questions, contact Howard Loomans.

Fellowship Time: Have you been blessed with the gift of hospitality? If so, you may enjoy helping to serve refreshments during the fellowship time following a worship service. There is no need for you to provide any treats because all the coffee, drinks and snacks are provided. If you do enjoy baking you are welcome to bring in some treats but this is not at all necessary. If you would like to serve, you can sign-up in the entrance for a Sunday that fits your schedule. Please contact Elayne Van Buren with any questions.

Congregational Care

<u>Congratulations!</u> Jake & Dana Vande Kolk were blessed with the birth of their son, Emmett Andrew, on March 4th. God's blessings to your family.

<u>Thank You:</u> Thank you to our church family for the cards and condolences in the loss of my brother. George Scheuers.

Invitations

<u>Awaken Kids Invitation:</u> Our next Parents Night Out will be held on Friday, March 22nd, from 6:00 - 8:30 pm at 1 W. Main Street, Waupun. This is for all kids 4K to 5th Grade. There will be fun activities with Bible stories, crafts, games, snack and science and the cost is FREE! Register on Facebook at Awaken Kids Waupun. For any questions email awakenkidsinc@gmail.com or call 920-345-7527.

Women's Conference: East Friesland New Covenant Church will host a women's event on Friday, April 26th from 4:00 - 8:30 pm and on Saturday, April 27th, from 9:00 am - 5:00 pm. The conference is titles, Reclaim: Overcoming the War on Women for the Glory of God. We will view the video playback of the Answers in Genesis Women's Conference. In addition, there will be several speakers on both days along with worship time and catered meals. Due to some sensitive content, the conference is recommended for ages 13 and up to attend and that parental discretion be used. For more Tickets are \$20 each. To purchase tickets or for any questions email secretaryofnewcovenant@gmail.com or call 920-382-6173.

Central Wisconsin Christian School Events: 301 Fox Lake Road, Waupun; 920-324-4233

- ♦ This year's 8th Grade play is entitled "Family Album" by Rob Frankel and will be presented on Thursday, March 21st, at 6:30 pm.
- <u>Library Invitations:</u> All events are held at the Waupun Library, 123 S. Forest Street, Waupun.
- ♦ March 26 at 6:00 pm: Learn about Garden Composting with Dodge County Master Gardener, Carol Shirk. .

Worship Service

March 17, 2024 at 9:00 am

Prelude: Jon Schmaltz

Introit: Bell Choir - I Will Sing of My Redeemer

(Bells will play once thru; congregation will then join in to sing verses 1 and 4 of Song #309)

Call to Worship

Ministry of Music: Bell Choir: Jesus Loves Me

Prayer: Video - Lent (A Prayer)

*Song #730: Stand Up, Stand Up for Jesus (verses 1, 3 & 4)

Children's Message: Trinity Mystery - Roxanne

Scripture: John 3:11-21 (page 1651)

Message: Lifted Up

*Song: Stand Up and Give Him the Praise

March Missional Madness

Prayer

Announcements

*Benediction

*Song #410: Standing on the Promises of God (verses 1, 2 & 5)

*Postlude: Jon Schmaltz

*Please stand as you are able

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